

Certain
PROPOSITIONS
OF

Both Houses of Parliament,

CONCERNING

The raising of Horse, Horsemen,
and Arms, for the defence of the King,
and both Houses of Parliament.

Together with divers

INSTRUCTIONS
concerning the same.

Luze, 19. September, 1642.

O Rdered that these Instructions, and the former Propositions for bringing in of Horse, Money, Plate and Arms, be printed, and sent into the severall Counties, Cities, and Towns Corporate of this Kingdom, by the Committee for the Propositions.

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Hereas it appears, That the King (seduced by wicked
 Councel) intends to make War against His Parliament,
 and in pursuance thereof, under pretence of a Guard for
 His Person, hath actually begun to levie Forces both of
 Horse and Foot, and sent out Summons throughout the
 County of York, for the calling together of greater numbers, and some
 ill-affected persons have been employed in other parts, to raise Troops,
 under the colour of His Majesties Service, making large offers of
 reward and preferment to such as will come in; And that His Ma-
 jestie doth with a high and forcible hand, protect and keep away De-
 linquents, not permitting them to make their appearance, to answer
 such Affronts and Injuries as have been by them offered unto the Par-
 liament; and those Messengers which have been sent from the Houses
 for them, have been abused, beaten, and imprisoned; so as the Orders of
 Parliament, which is the highest Court of Justice in this Kingdom,
 are not obeyed, and the Authority of it is altogether scorned and vil-
 ified; and such persons as stand well-affected to it, and declare them-
 selves sensible of these publike calamities, and of the violations of the
 Priviledges of Parliament, and common Liberty of the Subject,
 are basely and injured by severall sorts of malignant men who are a-
 bout the King, some whereof, under the name of Cavaliers, without
 having respect to the Laws of the Land, or any fear, either of God or
 man, are ready to commit all manner of outrage and violence, which
 must needs tend to the dissolution of this Government, the destroying of
 our Religion, Laws, and Liberty, and Propriety, all which will be ex-
 posed to the malice and violence of such desperate persons as must be
 employed in so horrid and unnaturall an act as the overthrowing of a
 Parliament by force, which is the support and preservation of them:
 All which being duly considered by the Lords and Commons, and how
 great an Obligation lyes upon them in Honour, Conscience, and Duty,
 according to the high trust reposed in them, to use all possible means
 in such cases, for the timely prevention of so great and irrecoverable
 evils, they have thought fit to publish their sence and apprehension of
 this imminent danger, thereby to excite all well-affected persons to

contribute their best assistance, according to their solemn ~~and~~ Protestation, to the Preparations necessary for the opposing and suppressing of the Trayterous attempts of these wicked and malignant Councillors, who seek to engage the King in so dangerous and destructive an enterprise, and the whole Kingdom in a civil War, and destroy the Priviledges and Being of Parliaments; This recourse to the good affections of those that tender their Religion, and just Liberties, and the Enjoyment of the blessed fruits of this present Parliament, which were almost ready to be reaped, and are now at ready to be ruined by those wicked hands; being the onely remedy left them, under God, and without which they are no longer able to preserve themselves, or those by whom they are entrusted.

1. They the said Lords and Commons doe Declare, That whosoever shall bring in any proportion of ready Mony, or Plate, or shall underwrite to furnish and maintaine any number of Horse, Horsemen, and Armes, for the preservation of the publike Peace, and for the defence of the King, and both Houses of Parliament from force and violence, and to uphold the Power and Priviledges of Parliament, according to his Protestation, it shall bee held a good and acceptable service to the Common wealth, and a testimony of his good affection to the Protestant Religion, the Lawes, and Liberties, and Peace of this Kingdome, and to the Parliament, and Priviledges thereof.

And because a considerable ayd cannot bee rayled by few hands, and the condition of all mens estates and occasions, is not alwayes proportionable to their Affection; the Lords and Commons do Declare, That no mans Affection shall bee measured according to the proportion of his offer, so that hee expresse his good will to this service in any proportion whatsoever.

2. And it further Declared by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That whosoever shall bring in any Mony, or Plate, or shall furnish and maintaine any Horse, Horsemen, and Armes for the purposes aforesaid, shall have their Mony re-payd, with the Interest, according to Eight pounds *per cent*, and the full value of their Plate, with consideration for the fashion, not exceeding

ceeding One shilling per ounce, and shall have full recompence for all their charge, in finding, furnishing, and maintaining of Horse, Horsemen; and Armes; and for this both Houses of Parliament do ingage the publike Faith.

3. And it is Ordained, That Sir *John Wollastone*, Knight and Alderman, Alderman *Tomse*, Alderman *Warner*, and Alderman *Andrewes*, shall bee the Treasurers to receive all such Mony, and Plate, as shall be brought in for the purposes aforesayd. And that the Acquittances of them, or any two of them; for the Receipt of the same shall be a sufficient ground for the Party so lending Mony or Plate, to demand the same again with the Interest, & likewise consideration for the fashion of the Plate:

4. It is Ordered, That shall be Commissaries to value the Horse and Armes that shall furnished for this service; and that a signification under the hands of them, or any two of them of such values of the Horse and Armes, and of the time when they were first brought in; shall be a warrant to demand satisfaction according to the sayd values, and they shall keepe an account of the time, from the first Inrolment of any such Horse and Horsemen, That such as finde and maintaine them; may be re-payd according to the rate of a s. 6 d. *per diem*; for so long time as they have maintained them in this service; And the Commissaries are to attend at *Guild-hall*, for the receiving and inrolling of such numbers of Horse as shall be brought in.

5. It is Ordered, That whosoever shall bring in Mony, or Plate, or shall provide and maintaine Horse, Horsemen, and Armes for this service, shall do according to their duty therein. And the Lords and Commons doe ingage the Power and Authority of Parliament, to save them harmelesse from all prejudice and inconvenience that may befall them by occasion thereof.

6. It is Ordered, That the Members of either House who are present, shall be desired to Declare in their Houses respectively, what Mony, or Plate they will bring in, or what Horse, horse-men, and Armes they will finde and maintaine.

7. It is desired, That all such as have their residence in or about *London*, or within 80. miles, will bring in their Mony, Plate, or Horse, within a fortnight after notice; and they that dwell farther off, within three weekes.

8. And because every Person may not be provided with present Money, or with Horse, or not have his Plate with him, which he meanes to bring in, and yet resolves to contribute his part within the time limited, and that it is necessary it should be presently known what the provision will be, for the effecting of this great and important service; It is Ordered, That the Committees of either House, appointed for that purpose respectively, shall receive the subscriptions of such Members of each House, as have not declared themselves in the House, or are absent upon the publike service, or for their private occasions. 2. That the Committee of London intrusted with the Militia, shall receive the subscriptions in London and Middlesex. 3. That some Person nominated by the Knights and Burgeses of each County, and approved by both Houses, shall be appointed to receive the subscriptions in the severall Counties.

9. And lastly, it is Declared, That whatsoever is brought in, shall not at all bee employed upon any other occasion, then to the purposes aforesaid; which are to maintaine the Protestant Religion, the Kings Authority, and His Person, in His Royall Dignity, the free course of Justice, the Lawes of the Land, the Peace of the Kingdome, and the Priviledge of Parliament, against any force which shall oppose them. And this by the direction of both Houses of Parliament.

INSTRUCTIONS

for

Committees of both Houses of Parliament, for the raising Money, Plate and Horse, for the defence of the King and Kingdom, in the County of

1. **Y**OU, and every of you shall take care to put in execution in the County of the Propositions and Orders

Orders made by the Lords & Commons now assembled in Parliament, for bringing in of money, plate, horse, or arms, for the preservation of the publike Peace, and for the defence of the King and both houses of Parliament.

2. That you, or any two or more of you, shall and may call together the Inhabitants of that County, as well within Liberties as without, at such times and places as you, or any two of you shall think fit, and propound to them what men, horse and arms they will finde and mainrain, and what provisions they will afford to maintain men or horses; and what money or plate they will contribute to, and for the uses aforesaid.

3. That you, or any two or more of you, denominate and appoint fit and able persons to be Treasurers to receive all such money and plate as shall be brought in for the service aforesaid, and Commissaries to value and list the horse and arms and provisions that shall be furnished for this service, in such limits, divisions and places in that County, as you, or any two or more of you shall finde necessary; and the Receipts under the hands of such Treasurers and Commissaries respectively, shall be a sufficient ground for the parties so lending money, plate, horse, provisions, or arms, to demand the same with the Interest, after the rate of 8^d *per cent. per an.*

4. That you, or any two or more of you, shall certifie the names of all such persons as being of ability, shall not joyn with the rest of the good Subjects of this Kingdom, at this time of publike and imminent danger and necessity, to support and preserve according to their duties and the late Protestation, The true Protestant Religion, the Laws of the Land, the Liberty of the subiect, the Kings person, both houses of Parliament, and what ever is or can be dear or precious to any good man. That the said Committees do likewise certifie the names of all such persons as are of ability, and do absent themselves out of the County, and repair to the City of *London*, or other parts of the Kingdom, or otherwise absent themselves from the said service and contribution.

5. That all Maiors, Justices, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, Constables, and all other his Maies Officers; as well within Liberties as without, be ayding and assisting to the said Committees, or any

two of them, in all things, for the better execution of the said Propositions, or of these Instructions.

6. Wheresoever any considerable sum of money or plate, or Arms be levied, That the same be speedily and safely sent up to Sir *John Wollaston*, Knight and Alderman of *London*, Alderman *Towse*, Alderman *Warner*, and Aldermann *Andrews*, Treasurers of *London*, for the uses aforesaid: And when any money, plate, horse, provisions or arms is already collected and levied, and the same not disposed of according to Order of both Houses of Parliament, That the said Committees do forthwith send up the same to the said Treasurers of *London*, or else forthwith to certify both houses thereof, and in whose custody the same doth rest, and that the same be not disposed of, till further order and direction of both houses. And it is further declared, That such money, plate, or provisions as shall be raised in that County, shall be employed and disposed of, for the maintaining such Troops and Garrisons as by Order of both houses of Parliament, or the Lord Generall, shall be employed in or for the safety of that County.

7. And it is further Ordered, That speciall care be taken by the Treasurers, to keep Books of Accounts in writing, of all money, plate, horse and arms, and the values of them by the Treasurers received, and what sums of money are by them disbursed for necessary occasions in this Service, so as the same may in the end of the work be sent up to the Parliament, there to remain on Record.

FINIS.

